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Hugh Fullerton Likes
George Burns Better

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McGraw Says Giants
Will Be Worthy Foes

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That's Her Pastime



FULLERTON BELIEVES GEORGE BURNS IS BETTER THAN "GINRAL" JACKSON

By HUGH S. FULLERTON.

Whoopie! Marjoe Joe isn't as good a ball player as Burns is.

Whoever would a thought that? Only two years ago and Jackson was rated by many as almost the equal of Cobb. Today the figures show that the White Sox fading star is not nearly as good a man, for the purposes of a world's series, as is the speedy left fielder of the Giants.

This may daze Chicago fans a trifle, because some of us are inclined to value ball players on their reputations and on their advertised accomplishments. But the figures prove it—they prove that Burns not only outthinks Jackson, but makes quite as many extra base hits, that he steals more than twice as many bases, although with a non base running club, while his rival is with a club that is leading in number of steals. We know he is faster on the bases, that he covers more ground in the outfield and that he can hold his own in a throwing duel. Also, in the matter of thinking, it is evident that he can give Joe two brain revolutions the start and beat him to a given thought.

Jackson still Big Factor. Jackson, however, has not gone back to the extent some of the fans imagine. He is not playing the same kind of baseball he did with Cleveland. In some ways he is a much better ball player than he was when he was hitting up near the head of the league. Nor should he be disgruntled when rated below his rival, for it is quite an honor to figure even close to Burns.

This fellow Burns was a good player when he broke into the big tent. Quiet, studious, a thinker, he has improved steadily. If given the choice of all the National League outfielders, Burns would be first choice of the majority of managers. He is great in many departments of the game, and at his best in thinking and in the brainy part. He can think and execute, both in the field and on the attack.

It is a hard proposition to calculate the values of and to compare two players of such different types. It is as hard, almost, as comparing a truck and a racing auto. I have experienced much trouble in figuring the values of these men for the series.

It is a big problem as to how Burns will hit against Cloutier, as he has never faced a pitcher like him. It is a bigger question as to how well Jackson can do against Schupp, and Salley. It is my judgment that we can cancel them against each other on those items. Neither will hit much with those pitchers working.

Good Left-hander Stops 'Em. Let me digress a moment. We hear constantly how left-handed batters hit left-handed pitchers. They do, sometimes, but a good left-hander, going right, stops all left-handed batters. The White Sox have not hit left-handed pitching well this season. Jackson has hit fairly well, and his record against left-handers shows well, until it is studied. He has crippled three of them, but when they are good he stops batting.

There is another item we must consider, and one that stands out in striking relief in Jackson's record. A left-hander may fool him three times in succession, make him look foolish, and the fourth time he will be liable to crown that old gourd and drive it against a far wall. Jackson's batting is like that.

As a batter he reminds me of Pittsburgh's a fighter. The further gone he looked the more dangerous was his punch. It is so with Muttie Joe. He packs a terrific wallop, and one that is liable to cut loose any time. It behooves the New York pitchers not to get careless when pitching to him or some of the spectators a block outside the grounds may get hurt.

There are traditions regarding Jackson that have been related to the Giants. If they are relying upon them they are foolish. Jackson is not the same ball player he was in Cleveland.

Left Fielders

GIANTS.	
Offensive value.....	918
Defensive value.....	226
Total value.....	1144
WHITE SOX.	
Offensive value.....	904
Defensive value.....	193
Total value.....	1097

He has more get-up, less of the hook-worm style, and he has played the game for the White Sox this season better than we had hoped after watching him last year.

His slump in hitting has been largely due to the fact that he has been hitting for the team rather than for Joe. He is not, and never will be, a finished or brainy ballplayer, and his weakness at bunting and at any kind of scientific hitting is evident.

But he is there with a wallop, and is dangerous at any time against any kind of pitching. He hits a third strike as hard as he does his first, and he has a rather uncanny way of calling the turn. The pitcher who gets himself into a hole pitching for Jackson is in serious trouble.

He has scored more runs per hit this season than he usually does, and has run the bases better, although that is not much of a boast. The study of his run getting, as compared with that of Burns, is a surprise. He has made fewer hits than Burns, yet has scored almost as many runs. His lower average is due to the fact he has not had as many bases on balls. This is not so much to his discredit, for Burns is an excellent waiter, and New York plays that waiting game far better and with far more consistency than the White Sox.

Jackson can throw, he covers ground well, and his way of retrieving balls hit down the left field line is an improvement over the work of any left fielder the Sox have had in many years. I made a record of all the hits that went down the left field line this season on the Sox park, and compared it with the record of 1915. It would seem that Jackson has reduced the number of triples by about fourteen, and has held many runners to singles on such hits which, in 1914 and 1915 were triples or home runs. It is an indication that he is hustling as never before.

Burns Ideal Outfielder. Burns is the finished, thinking and speedy type of player, who has improved with experience, and is now near the top of his game. He was not reckoned on as a three hundred hitter nor as a clean-up type of hitter, yet this season he has been both, and on top of that a good waiter and a clever man bunting and working with runners, which Jackson is not. He is almost my ideal of an outfielder, playing batters with good judgment, making his plays without show or fuss, and throwing to the right spot in almost every instance. There is yet another thing that you must remember in comparing these two men; that is, that they have faced entirely different pitching. National League pitching, it is true, has improved this season, and Burns has been compelled to face better pitching than he has in the last four years. Facing this average betterment of pitching, he has improved his batting.

American's Pitchers Excel. The pitchers of the American League, as an average, are better than those of the National, and the managers are, as a rule, quicker to change pitchers and stop batting. This, of course, has been due to the closeness of the race. Yet such changes cut down the batting averages of the men, because they get few chances during the season to maul easy pitching for three or four hits and add avordupois to their slugging records.

What Jackson would bat in the National League and what Burns would hit in the American is a problem. I think Jackson would be better than a .300 hitter against the run of nine pitching of the National League unless working for a manager who held him to orders. Burns, I believe, would hit almost as well in one league as in the other.

I have been compelled, in figuring on entire seasons, to calculate that the American League pitchers are 8 per cent better, on the average, than the National, basing the figures on actual performances of pitchers and batters. However, that does not help us in doping the world's series. In this we must figure the man's individual prowess in his own league, and what he has done in his own study what he has done in his own league against the kind of pitching he must face in the coming test. It is this fact that cuts Jackson's figure. It reduces Burns, too, but to a lesser extent, and gives the New Yorker a large shade the advantage.

Tomorrow we will compare the center fielders, and as I have finished the comparison in figures, I am certain that the result will be another shock to the fans.

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LEAGUE STANDINGS.

AMERICAN.	
Chicago.....	120
Boston.....	89
Cleveland.....	87
Washington.....	78
New York.....	71
St. Louis.....	68
Philadelphia.....	54

Where They Play. TODAY. Wash. at Cleveland. No games.

Yesterday's Games. Washington, 11; Cleveland, 4. Washington, 4; Cleveland, 1. Philadelphia, 8; Detroit, 4. Philadelphia, 12; Detroit, 11. New York, 11; Chicago, 1. Chicago, 3; New York, 1. Boston, 12; St. Louis, 1. Boston, 1; St. Louis, 6.

NATIONAL.	
New York.....	96
Philadelphia.....	84
St. Louis.....	82
Chicago.....	76
Boston.....	74
Brooklyn.....	68
Pittsburgh.....	50

Where They Play. TODAY. N. Y. at Cincinnati. Boston at Chicago. Phila. at St. Louis. Tomorrow. Boston at Pitta.

Yesterday's Games. St. Louis, 7; Philadelphia, 2. A. C. at Cincinnati, 1. Brooklyn, 3; Pittsburgh, 1. Brooklyn, 7; Pittsburgh, 1. Boston, 4; Chicago, 2.

PETE HERMAN SEEKING MATCH WITH WILLIAMS

BALTIMORE, Sept. 30.—Pete Herman, bantam champion, wants to meet Kid Williams here on or about October 15. Herman's manager has wired Sammy Harris, of the American Ambulance Corps, that he will stage only a championship affair.

Corbett's Lesson On "Self-Defense" No. 11



By James J. Corbett
Former Heavyweight Champion of World.

This is James J. Corbett's eleventh illustration and explanation on "The Science of Self-Defense." The former world's champion is illustrating a series of twelve lessons along this line which are appearing in the Washington Times every Sunday. The last lesson will appear in next Sunday's Times. Don't fail to follow this series.

THE SOLAR PLEXUS BLOW

Here you see a most effective knockout blow, the solar plexus. My adversary has led with his left at my face. I have ducked quickly to the right, avoiding the blow and countered with my left to the solar plexus. Note how I am covered and still have my right in reserve for another blow. The solar plexus is deadly because it paralyzes, momentarily, the breathing apparatus, and renders your opponent unfit to continue.

RESULTS OF SEASON'S FIRST FOOTBALL GAMES

Navy, 27; Davidson, 6. Pittsburgh, 14; West Virginia, 9. Ohio State, 46; Case, 0. Washington and Jefferson, 17; Kenyon, 0; Wooster, 0. Springfield, 0; Maine Heavy Artillery, 0. Bucknell, 25; Mansfield Normal, 0. Indiana, 60; Albright, 0. Lehigh, 7; Seventh United States Infantry, 0. Pennsylvania State, 10; United States Ambulance Corps, 0. Princeton Freshmen, 14; Lawrenceville, 0. Rutgers, 25; Ursinus, 0. Boston College, 26; Norwich University, 0. Brown, 27; Rhode Island State, 0. Syracuse, 40; Forty-ninth United States Infantry, 0. Marquette, 14; Great Lakes Naval Training Station, 0. Cantonment Officers, 7; Alma College, 0. Kalamazoo College, 76; Adrian College, 0. Vanderbilt, 51; Battle Ground Academy, 0. Georgia Tech, 25; Furman, 0. Georgia Tech, 23; Wake Forest, 0. Wake Forest College, 0; Marietta College, 0. Williams, 20; Rensselaer, 0. University of Kentucky, 33; Butler College, Indiana, 0. North Carolina A. and M., 19; Guilford College, 0. West Virginia Wesleyan, 13; Lebanon Valley, 0. Union, 20; St. Lawrence, 0. Exeter, 30; Cushing, 0. Rose Poly, 21; Alumni, 0. University of Oklahoma, 179; King Fisher College, 0. Oberlin College, 46; Baldwin-Wallace, 0. Maryville College, 13; Tusculum College, 0.

GIANTS WILL BE WORTHY OF MEETING WHITE SOX

By JOHN J. MCGRAW.

Manager of the New York Giants.

Win or lose, in the coming world's series, I will say the Giants have demonstrated beyond any doubt that they are the class of the National League, and cannot, by the most elastic imagination, be charged with being accidental champions.

They will show themselves worthy of representing the greatest baseball organization in the coming clash with the White Sox for championship of the world.

When I go back over this season's race and consider it from all angles, I frequently wonder how, under the many handicaps we were up against, that we were enabled to make such a splendid record.

Our first and most serious setback was when Lew McCarty broke his leg in Cincinnati, on our first Western trip. Lew was going at his best, too, at the time, and was a tower of strength to the team. He was hitting hard and timely—about .300. He was handling his pitchers splendidly, and his fire, energy and fighting spirit was an inspiration to his fellow-players.

I will acknowledge I was a bit worried about the situation at that time. But that good old stand-by, Bill Rariden, who always gives me the best he has and most willingly, stepped into the breach left open by McCarty's injury, and, by his steadiness and timely hits, took much worry off my mind.

Then again, just when Bill was becoming a little stale by overwork, George Gibson staged his sensational comeback and we were as safe as money in the bank.

Rariden Very Game. Gibson received a broken thumb just at the time we were fighting for first place, and up bobs Rariden again as our bulwark. And that honest worker has fought in many games with a swollen thumb that would have caused many catchers to quit, but there is no such thing in Bill's make-up.

I kept the fact that he had an injured thumb secret, so as not to tip off our opponents, for Bill could not get a firm enough grip on the ball to make an accurate or speedy throw to second, and to have that known by our rivals would have been extremely dangerous.

Those are points of management that the general public knows nothing of, and, in consequence, Bill was constantly accused of falling off in his playing, which frequently happens in such cases.

Every player on my team showed just as much loyalty in helping the club out of its dilemma as did Bill Rariden. They all seemed to try all the harder after McCarty's injury, and the consequence was, he continued to gain instead of dropping back.

Herzog Below Par. There was another handicap we labored under most of the season, and that was Herzog's inability to play up to his past form. He batted and fielded below what was expected of him, and that, of course, was largely due to the accident to his spine early in the season. He showed gameness at times, and his spirited example and fiery energy were impressive and most valuable.

I took into account his physical condition and gave him all the rest he asked for until our official physician, after a thorough examination, told me Herzog was able to play again. Herzog was not satisfied with our physician's diagnosis, and, as a result, four times after that left for his Maryland farm without permission.

His suspension has now been lifted and he will play in the world's series.

Going To Be Tough Fight. I appreciate we will have tough customers in the White Sox. I think it will be a hard series, but, with the short rest I am to give my players, I know the team will be fit and ready. I am confident.

I am much pleased that our opponents in the series have as their owner such a true sportsman and thorough gentleman as my friend, Charley Comiskey. No better fellow

ever lived or one more devoted to the good of baseball. I know he will say, "May the best team win!" And so will I.

I am thoroughly in accord with "Commy" in his plan to have the White Sox and the Giants play an exhibition game after the world's series, so that our soldiers can see two real baseball teams play real baseball. I can fully appreciate "Commy's" whole-souled and patriotic fervor in promoting anything that will show our appreciation of the devotion to our country's brave defenders.

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Monday, Oct. 1
First Race, 2 P. M.

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